9 May 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director of Security

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FROM:

Chief of Operations (PSI)

SUBJECT:

DCI Approval in Principle of Key Task Force Recommendations with Resource Implications

In line with our discussion of 6 May 1977, I consider the following issues to be particularly important in terms of DCI approval of items with CIA resource implications.

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A. Polygraph/Repolygraph Program in Industry:

This is clearly the single most important recommendation, because there are strong policy ramifications, as well as resource problems. However, it will be extremely difficult to develop a "price tag" until there is some implementation of the related recommendation dealing with the identification of "high risk" personnel. This will provide some idea as to the number of cases and/or the number of examiner slots. The "coverage" will also effect this.

B. Agency Staff Communicators:

This is a significant recommendation and might involve 25-35 Commo slots, depending upon the final study. There should be a meaningful Commo assessment within 90 days, but the approval in principle is important.

C. Periodic Security Surveys and Commo Inspections:

It was envisioned that there would be formal security audits conducted by the Offices of Security and Communications. I think that this could be approved by the Office Directors, in coordination with the DDS&T, but the bottom line is the need for resources. At this point there is not the manpower.

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Again, these are ongoing programs and I see sufficient no policy problems. However, there is a serious question as to whether Division can do the Reinvestigation iob unless we have more slots stand that the Polygraph Branch will soon be able to do 1500 RIP polygraph cases, if there are no new high priority demands. Their heads are just above water.

E. Psychological Assessments:

This will probably require a few more slots in the Office of Medical Services. The important item is not resources, however, but approval in principle. The psychological assessment issue is somewhat controversial and could be misconstrued or resented, particularly by contractor personnel who have worked on our programs for years. The value of it ties in with the Industrial Review Panel, and we will be in a much stronger position with OMS if it has been discussed with the DCI.

F. Indirect Costs:

It should be borne in mind that there are a number of recommendations which do not suggest direct costs on the Agency--the two man role for couriers and communicators, briefcase checks, pre-screening, after duty checks, records management, etc. However, knowledgeable DDS&T officers have made it clear that these indirect costs are ultimately passed on to the Agency under contract changes.

G. Reindoctrination Program:

We have had three reindoctrination programs in the past and the resource impact should not be significant However, there is a very definite need for the DCI to lend his support and influence to the security program of the Agency and the Intelligence Community. Possibly we would be later asking him to participate in a filmed interview that would be used in the Reindoctrination Program. In any case, I would be inclined to mention the "complacency" problem and indicate we may need his general support.

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